Feb. 26 1941 55 Somerset St. Newark N.J.

Mr. Raleigh Mackey 1314 E. 47 St. Losl Angeles Calif.

Dear Mackey:

I have just returned from the joint meeting of the twh leagues in Chicago. I guess you have read all the news in the papers by this time. In case you have not I will tell you they voted to take the players back who ran away, if they are in the states by May 1st, and upon payment of \$100.00 fine. As the Grays have signed Josh already I decided I had better go after Dandridge, Wells and Day. I am trying now to contact them. Dahdridge left for Mexico last week.

and Dexter Park this year. In fact we hardly leave this

section at all for the farst half.

We are going to train in Daytona Beach, and are playing the red caps a few games, then leave camp to do a little barnstorming with The Birmingham Black Barons. We plan to go to camp the 3rd of April. Younshould be here by the 1st at the latest. Are you going to bring the boy with you? Is Jake Dunn driving east, maybe you all can come in his car. Please let me know when to expest you.

Please sign the enclosed contract, and return it to me at once air mail. I want to relaese the story to

the press that you are going to mange the team.

All in all I think things look pretty good for the coming season. If we can get any kind of weather we should do alright. I certaintly hope we will have a winning club. The Grays and Elites are going to be much stronger. The Grays will have Josh. Mc Duffie and maybe Partlow, and The Elites will have Byrd back I am sure. If you have any plans or suggestions let me here from you right away. I have written most of the men who were with us last year, and asked them about their draft status. I heard from Mathewes, Isreal, Hooker and Carter. We will not lose any of them. Will write more next time. Send your contract back right away please.

Very Truly Yours